

HERITAGE









We hope you noticed the clean floors in the Senior Center. Great job done by Jim Travaglini and his crew from Trav's Cleaning Service. Special thanks to Neil Dubois and Lenny Gendron for helping out!

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978-674-1597
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Office Hours: 8:00 A.M. - 4:00 PM. Monday - Friday

> COA 2nd Floor Fax: 978-446-7270

SENIOR CENTER SERVICES

Main Number: 978-674-1172

Fax: 978-970-4134

Hours of Operation:

Monday—Friday:
Open **6:30 AM—4:00 PM**Continental Breakfast 7:00-9:00 am
Lunch served at 11:30 AM

CLOSED On weekends for the month of July

Interim Executive Director: Kerran Vigroux kvigroux@lowellma.gov

Receptionist: Tara Donnelly 978-674-1171 ~ tdonnelly@lowellma.gov

Civic Events: Carol Lannan 978-674-1169 ~ CLannan@lowellma.gov

Outreach Caseworker: Amy Medina Leal 978-674-1167 ~ aleal@lowellma.gov

SHINE

Serving Health Insurance Needs for Elders

Joan Gong ~ 978-674-1173 ~ Mondays: 8:30-10:30 AM

 $\textbf{COA--Pollard Library Annex} \sim 978\text{-}970\text{-}4186$

Legal Services Assistance & Referrals For an appointment call: 1-800-342-5297

COUNCIL ON AGING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Andrew Hostetler, Chair
Joyce E. Dastou
Mary Donnelly
Eric Lamarche
John R. Lawlor
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Next meeting:

Monday, September 9th
at 9:00am - Public Welcome



Senior Abuse Hotline Number

To report suspected elder abuse, call: 1-800-922-2275

DTA Hotline (SNAP/ Food Stamps)

Direct line for seniors: 1-833-712-8027

Are you having a problem with your in-home caregiver?

1-800-243-4636 Press #5 to speak to an Elder Services Ombudsman.

LCOA bus trips ~ ages 60+ ONLY ... Motor-coach bus trips ~ ages 18+

All trips must be paid **in full one month prior** to travel date.

The office is open from 6:30am-2:30pm.

Detailed flyers available outside the 2nd floor office.

For more info, contact Carol Lannan at 978-674-1169 or CLannan@lowellma.gov.

CASINO Trips ... You MUST have your LICENSE or PICTURE ID with you for the Casino entrance

Twin Rivers—Stay Tuned for details about the next trip!

September Atlantic City trip—SOLD OUT!

SENIOR CITIZEN TEXTING CODES

ATD At The Door
BFF Best Friend Fell

BYOT Bring The Wheelchair
BYOT Bring Your Own Teeth
FWIW Forget Where I Was

GGPBL Gotta Go Pacemaker Battery Low

GHA Got Heartburn Again
Laughing My Denture Out
OMMR On My Massage Recliner

OMSG Oh My! Sorry, Gas

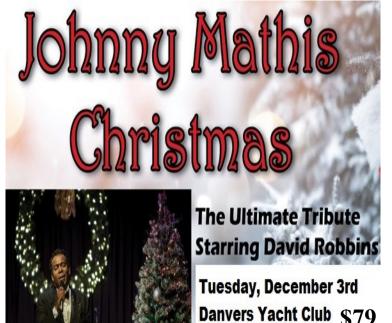
ROFLACGU Rolling On Floor Laughing And Can't Get Up

TTYL Talk To You Louder









Newport Playhouse

Tues., September 17 ... Bingo ... Surf & Turf



(By Allan Stratton) Director: Rick Bagley

David, a young English professor, has his goals of stability and tenure thrown into chaos by an alcoholic colleague, her hysterical husband — his boss — a romantic poetry student, and an insurance salesman with a wife addicted to bingo. Matters become hilariously complicated in this fast moving comedy.

Tues., October 15 ... Boeing, Boeing ... Lobster



(By Camoletti, Cross & Evans) Director: Daniel Lee White

The play centers on bachelor Bernard, who has a flat in Paris and three attractive flight attendants all engaged to him without knowing about each other. But Bernard's life gets bumpy when his friend Robert comes to stay, and a new, speedier Boeing jet disrupts his careful planning. Soon all three flight attendants are in the city simultaneously and timid Robert forgets which lies to tell to whom, and catastrophe looms.



Durable Medical Equipment Loan Program

Mondays-Fridays 8:00 AM to 4:00PM

The Lowell Senior Center makes available Durable Medical Equipment such as the equipment listed below. Our inventory is 100% dependent on donations. What we have available is never the same one day to the next. The City of Lowell is not responsible for any accident from the use of the loaned equipment.

At this time, we are accepting wheelchairs and rollators in good, working condition. We have canes and walkers in stock.





Cribbage Players Needed!

Tuesdays 12-3

If interested ... see Tara

\$7.00 Day Trips for ages 60+

<u>July</u>	<u>trips</u>	on sale beginning	<u>June 24</u>	
<u>Day</u>	Date	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Depart</u>	
Monday	7/8	Salisbury Beach	9:00 am	
Tuesday	7/9	Rockport	9:00 am	
Thursday	7/11	Newburyport	9:00 am	
Monday	7/15	Old Orchard Beach	8:30 am	
Thursday	7/18	Ogunquit Beach	8:30 am	
Friday	7/19	Hampton Beach	9:00 am	
Monday	7/29	York Beach	8:30 am	
Tuesday	7/30	Kimball Farms	10:30 am	
August	<u>trips</u>	on sale beginning	<u>July 22</u>	
<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Depart</u>	
Thursday	1	Hampton Beach	9:00 am	
Monday	5	Old Orchard Beach	8:30 am	
Friday	9	Quincy Market	9:00 am	
Tuesday	13	Newburyport	9:00 am	
Thursday	15	Rockport	9:00 am	
Monday	19	Salisbury Beach	9:00 am	
Thursday	22	Ogunquit Beach	8:30 am	
Thursday	29	York Beach	8:30 am	

16 seats available!

All \$7.00 trips are payable by check or money orders **ONLY**! NO REFUNDS.

Please be sure to sign-up for trips right away & call if you need to cancel. Some trips fill up fast and we need a minimum of 4 people or the trip could be cancelled.

Place & time subject to change! A trip may be cancelled due to inclement weather.

Prevent Tick and Mosquito Bites ... Use insect repellent

Use Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-registered insect repellents with one of the active ingredients below. When used as directed, EPA-registered insect repellents are proven safe and effective, even for pregnant and breastfeeding women.

- DEET
- Picaridin (known as KBR 3023 and icaridin outside the US)
- IR3535
- Oil of lemon eucalyptus (OLE)
- Para-menthane-diol (PMD)
- 2-undecanone

Tips for everyone

- Always follow the product label instructions.
- Reapply insect repellent as directed.
 - Do not spray repellent on the skin under clothing.
 - If you are also using sunscreen, apply sunscreen first and insect repellent second.

Tips for babies & children

- Always follow instructions when applying insect repellent to children.
- Do not use insect repellent on babies younger than 2 months old.
- Do not apply insect repellent onto a child's hands, eyes, mouth, and cut or irritated skin.
 - Adults: Spray insect repellent onto your hands and then apply to a child's face.
- Do not use products containing oil of lemon eucalyptus (OLE) or paramenthane-diol (PMD) on children under 3 years old.

Natural insect repellents (repellents not registered with EPA)

- We do not know the effectiveness of non-EPA registered insect repellents, including some natural repellents.
- To protect yourself against diseases spread by mosquitoes, CDC and EPA recommend using an EPA-registered insect repellent.
- Choosing an EPA-registered repellent ensures the EPA has evaluated the product for effectiveness.

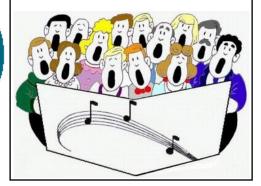
Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants

- Treat items, such as boots, pants, socks, and tents, with permethrin or buy permethrin-treated clothing and gear.
- Permethrin-treated clothing will protect you after multiple washings. See product information to find out how long the protection will last.
- If treating items yourself, follow the product instructions.
- Do not use permethrin products directly on skin.

Last reviewed: January 24, 2019 Content source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases (NCEZID), Division of Vector-Borne Diseases (DVBD)

Lowell Senior Center Singers

Rehearsals: Mondays at 1:00 pm 2nd Floor Classroom





Mondays 8:30 am

2nd Floor Nurse's Clinic

Meet Councilor Joan Gong

First come, first served!

Foot Clinic

with Diane Stanley, RN

3rd Thursday of the month 9:00am – 12:00pm ... \$30.00 fee

A Total Foot Care appointment including: foot assessment, toenail trimming and filing,



assessment, toenail trimming and filing, reduction of nails/corns/ calluses as

needed, education to help maintain self-care, and a relaxing foot massage. Call Amy for appointments: 978-674-1167

2nd Floor Nurse's Clinic

Doctor's, Nurse's & MORE

Blood Pressure & Weight Check with

Circle Home, Inc.:

the 2nd Tuesday from 8:00—10:00 am & the 3rd Tuesday from 10:00 am—12:30 pm

Commonwealth Nursing:

the 1st & 4th Tuesdays from 10:00 am—12:00 pm

Albert Gauthier RN:

Wednesdays from 9:30—11:30 am

Dr. George Potamitis from Pro-Rehab:

Question and Answer sessions Wednesdays from 10-11 am Will not be available in June

FOOT CARE with Diane Stanley, RN

3rd Thursday of the month Please call Amy for an appointment at 978-674-1167 \$30

Affordable Hearing with Christopher

Streeter: Hearing Testing, Hearing Instrument Testing. 4th Wednesday of each Month from 10:00am-11am in Board Room. Please call 978-674-1172 for appointment.

Are you Eligible for A Tax Exemption

Statutory Exemption applications are available starting July 1st in the Assessors office. All Exemptions must be filed on an annual basis. Applications are available from July 1 through 3 months after the mailing of the actual Tax Bill. Please note: All exemptions require that the applicant must own and occupy the property for which the exemption from taxes is sought.

The following is a breakdown of the Statutory Exemptions offered by the City of Lowell:

- Must be at least 70 years old on or before July 1st
- A surviving spouse who owns and occupies the property as their residence
- A minor child of a deceased parent
- Veterans Applicant must certify through Veterans' Administration, at least a 10% disability connected with war service
- Blind Persons Application must be legally blind and provide proof via a certificate for the Division of the Blind.

If you think you qualify for any exemption offered, please call the Assessors Office at (978) 674-4200, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM Tuesday 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM and Friday 8:00 am to 12:00 PM.



Getting Fit & Staying Fit

with Marian Silk

Mondays and Thursdays: 9:00 - 9:55 am

Wednesdays: 8:30 - 9:25 am

\$2.00 per class

(I like to end 5 minutes early so we are out the door in one hour!)

Great Hall

YOGA

with Christine Connolly, RN, BSN, RYT 500-hour Kripalu Yoga Teacher, Reiki ll Practitioner

Wednesdays
2nd Floor Classroom
10-11 am ~ All Welcome
11:15– 12:15 pm ~ Veterans Only
\$5.00 per class

Helps with arthritis, flexibility, strength, mobility, range of motion, pain, high blood

pressure, breathing, circulation, & stress!



Mah-Jong

Mondays

12:00 to 3:00 pm

Board Room



Country Line Dancing

with Marcella Groulx

Tuesdays (except 2nd Tuesday of every month)



10:00 am to 12:00 pm

\$5.00

Reiki

with Jane Breault



SEE or CALL Tara Nurse's Station At will offering.

JOIN OUR FREE BRAIN HEALTH WORKSHOP!



WHERE: Lowell Senior Center **DATE:** Thursday August 15, 2019

TIME: 12:00pm - 1:00pm OR I:30pm - 2:30pm

PLEASE SIGN UP OR CALL STEPH AT 1-888-234-9670 TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT







Quilting Group

Wednesdays 12:30—3 pm 2nd Floor Classroom

Newcomers welcome, beginners to advanced!

TAI CHI

Tuesdays 10:15–11:15 8 weeks for \$24 or walk-ins \$5 per class 2nd Floor Classroom



Helps with: Arthritis, strengthening the Immune system, High Blood Pressure, and Osteoporosis! Acupressure Points also taught: for headaches, stress, upset stomach & more!

Knitting & Crochet Group



Veteran's Corner

COFFEE SOCIAL

Fridays, 8:00-9:30 am at the Lowell Senior Center Board Room., 2nd Floor. Presented by Edith Nourse Rogers Memorial Veterans Hospital (Bedford VA) & Lowell Veteran's Services. Join us for coffee, conversation, camaraderie, & support in an informal atmosphere to socialize and discuss issues such as Healthcare, upcoming events, helping others, community involvement, VSO assistance, and benefits. For more info, contact: Steve Hines at 781-687-3173 or Eric Lamarche at 978-970-4070.

Veteran's and Widows

You may be entitled to REIMBURSEMENT OF YOUR MEDICAL EXPENSES if you are an unmarried veteran, or un-remarried widow or widower of a veteran ... call for income & assets limits.

You may also be entitled to FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: if you are an unmarried senior citizen veteran, or un-remarried widow or widower of a veteran ... call for income & assets limits.

Note: The home you live in and one vehicle are not counted as assets. This is an entitlement of benefits based on your, or your spouse's, military service. Call the Veterans Services Officer to arrange an interview to see if you qualify for benefits. The law requires the Veterans' Services Officer take your application and forward it to the Massachusetts Department of Veterans' Services. If you need more information please contact your Veterans' Services Officer, Eric Lamarche 978-674-4066 elamarche@lowellma.gov

Lowell Veterans ID card

IDs are available to Lowell Residents who are Veterans. Must have with you on date of appointment: DD214 ... Proof of Lowell residence ... Current Picture ID (either Massachusetts license or state ID). Please call <u>978-674-1595</u> for an appointment.



\$1 Roundtrip Rides for Grocery Shopping

Call 978-674-1172 between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Mondays-Fridays to schedule your ride. You must be 60 or older.

Exercise Room

Open Monday-Friday 6:30—4:00 pm Doctor's note required!

B-I-N-G-O

Every Wednesday

12:00-3:00 pm

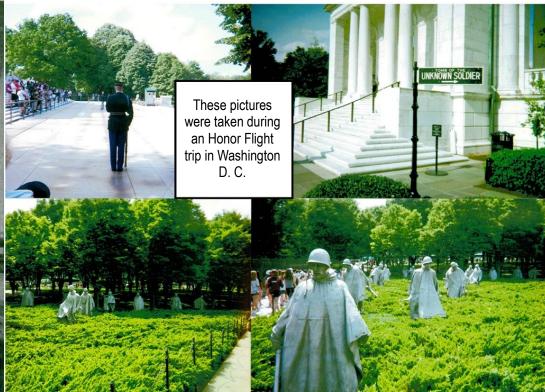
50¢ per card



Prize amounts vary due to attendance.

> PLUS additional prizes!







My Life, My Health

Sign Up Today for Free Six Week Workshop!

Friday, July 12th -Aug 16th, 2019 1:00pm - 3:30 pm

Sponsored By Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley, Inc.

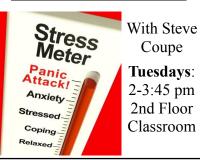
Chelmsford Council on Aging 75 Groton Road, North Chelmsford MA

For More Info or To Register

Please call Maria Arias at 978-946-1211 or you can also call the Chelmsford Senior Center directly at 978-251-0533 www.healthyliving4me.org

Find us on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/HealthyLivingCenterofExcellence Find us on Twitter: @HealthyLivingCE

Anxiety Support Group



Coupe Tuesdays: 2-3:45 pm 2nd Floor Classroom





Wii Bowling **Tuesdays & Fridays** 1:00 - 2:00 pm **2nd Floor Board Room**





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	
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July				



First Lowell Rehab Apartments

Effective July 1*, 2018, the waiting list for our 2 & 3 bedroom units is now open. Applicants are placed on a waiting list according to the date and time the application is received. All utilities are included.

Income restrictions apply. Section 8 vouchers accepted.

Our property is conveniently located near Route 3, Interstate 495 and public transportation.



ATTENTION LUNCH PARTICIPANT'S ... VERY IMPORTANT!

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU SWIPE IN FOR LUNCH EACH DAY!

If you are planning on enjoying lunch, but have no key tag—Please see Tara for a swipe tag. If you have a key tag but forgot it, please see Tara to add your name to the lunch list. Even if you forgot to swipe-in before lunch, please do so afterwards so we have an accurate count. The Senior Center receives funding from agencies and we must provide accurate counts of participants.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION AND UNDERSTANDING.





Lunch Menu





A donation of \$2.50 is requested for **lunch that is served beginning at 11:30 am, 11:15 am on Wednesdays.** Tickets are available daily until 10:30 am. Seniors that arrive after 10:30 am may pay cash and will follow ticket holders. **Please be on site no later than 11:30 am, if you want to have lunch**. Funding for our meal program is made possible by EOEA, Merrimack Valley Nutrition, & City of Lowell. **Menu subject to change!**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Stuffed Shells, Corn, Wheat Rolls, Peaches	2. Chicken a La King, Rice, Mixed Veggies, Wheat Bread, Oranges	3. Chicken Breast Filet, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Pudding	CLOSED JULY 4th	5. Fish Cakes, Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli, wheat Rolls, Pears	6. CLOSED until further notice.
7. CLOSED until further notice.	8. Mac & Cheese, Strewed Tomatoes, Broccoli, Wheat Rolls, Fruit Salad	9. Chicken Fritters, Rice, Carrots, Wheat Bread, Pudding	10. Salisbury Steak., Mashed Potatoes, Wax Beans, Wheat Rolls, Pineapples	11. Vegetable Lasagna, Green Beans, Wheat Rolls, Mix Veggies, Pears	12. Fish Squares, Rice, Spinach, Wheat Bread, Oranges	13. CLOSED until further notice.
14. CLOSED until further notice.	15. Hotdog & Beans, Hotdog Rolls, Coleslaw, Peaches	16. Stuff Cabbage. Corn, Wheat Bread, Apples	17. Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Wheat Bread, Fruit Salad	18. Chicken Fajita Strips, Rice, Corn, Wheat Rolls, Pineapples	19. Tuna Salad, 3 Bean Salad, Pasta Salad, Pita Bread, Pudding	20. CLOSED until further notice.
21. CLOSED until further notice.	22. Pork Chops, Mashed Potatoes, Peas, Wheat Bread, Mixed Fruit	23. American Chop Suey, Beets, Wheat Rolls, Pears	24. Chicken Cordon Blue, Rice, Carrots, Wheat Bread, Pudding	25. Chicken Salad, Pasta Salad, 3 Bean Salad, Pita Bread, Oranges	26. Fish, Rice, Broccoli, Wheat Bread, Peaches	27. CLOSED until further notice.
28. CLOSED until further notice.	29. Chicken Dippers, Rice, Carrots, Wheat Bread, Pudding, Juice Cup	30. Veal Patties, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Wheat bread, Pudding	31. Stuffed Peppers, Corn, Wheat Rolls, Apples			

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July 18, 2019 from 12:00-3:00 pm

Join us to learn about benefits you may qualify for out in the community. If you're already a member bring a friend. Snacks, refreshments and giveaways will be provided.

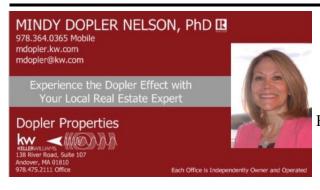
Fraud Alert: Genetic Testing Scam

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General is alerting the public about a fraud scheme involving genetic testing. Scammers are offering Medicare beneficiaries cheek swabs for genetic testing to obtain their Medicare information for identity theft or fraudulent billing purposes. Fraudsters are targeting beneficiaries through

telemarketing calls, booths at public events, health fairs, and door-to-door visits. If a beneficiary agrees to genetic testing or verifies personal or Medicare information, a testing kit is sent even if it is not ordered by a physician or medically necessary.

Protect Yourself

If a genetic testing kit is mailed to you, don't accept it unless it was ordered by your physician. Refuse the delivery or return it to the sender. Keep a record of the sender's name and the date you returned the items. Be suspicious of anyone who offers you free genetic testing and then requests your Medicare number. If your personal information is compromised, it may be used in other fraud schemes. A physician that you know and trust should approve any requests for genetic testing. Medicare beneficiaries should be cautious of unsolicited requests for their Medicare numbers. If anyone other than your physician's office requests your Medicare information, do not provide it. If you suspect Medicare fraud, contact 1-800-HHS-TIPS (1-800-447-8477)



July 11th, 2019

10:00 am

Informational meeting on Buying a home, selling your home, reverse mortgages, and more!

FREE

Computer and tablet assistance with Pierre and Don

Fridays 9:30 - 11:30

This is **NOT** a teaching classroom but a problem solving workshop



2nd Floor Computer Lab

Bone Builders Class

Learn how to strengthen your muscles, maintain or increase bone density, improve your balance, build confidence, prevent falls, nutrition & lifestyle changes, & make new friends!

2nd Floor Classroom

See pages 10-11 for dates & times
Call 978-674-1172 to register
* Doctor's approval REQUIRED *

Affordable Hearing

Free Hearing Test

with Christopher Streeter



Every 4th Wednesday

10:00 am

2nd Floor Board Room

MA Lic. # 198/NH Lic. # H547

Chocolate

Find and circle all of the words that are hidden in the grid.

The remaining 55 letters spell a secret message.

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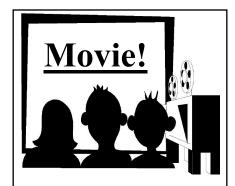
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Friday, September 27th

9:30 am

Public Welcome

Friends of the Lowell Council on Aging

Become a Member of the Friends of the Council on Aging Group:

The Friends of the Lowell Council on Aging Center Inc. is the fundraising group for the Lowell Senior Center. Funds raised are utilized for many purposes including ... Kitchen Equipment ... Pool Sticks ... New felt for the Billiards tables ... Social Events

Annual Fee is \$5 Per Person and membership includes voting rights

Meetings are held on the last Friday of the month at 9:30 a.m. in the Board Room on the second floor of the Senior Center located at: Lowell Senior Center, 276 Broadway Street, Lowell, MA 01854.

No meetings are scheduled in July and August. Donations are accepted and happily welcomed.

This month begins our summer break. The last meeting was held Friday, June 28, 2019 and we will resume our regular schedule Friday, September 27, 2019

The board has voted to change the voting day for the Board of Directors. It has always been held the 4th Thursday in April on odd years. The next election will be on Wednesday, April 28, 2021. This is an amendment to the bylaws of the organization. It was felt more members would participate on Wednesdays since that is the busiest day at the center. The election is open to all members. Anyone wishing to be a candidate for the Board of Directors or vote in the election must be a paid member of the Friends at least one month before the election.

We are happy to have people attend our meetings. We are always open to suggestions. However there is still confusion concerning our purpose. Our board has no say as to how the Senior Center is operated. We are an organization formed to raise money to supplement the budget of the Council On Aging. Belonging to the Friends is not being a member of the Senior Center. Anyone over 60 years old can visit any senior center in Massachusetts at no charge. There is no membership fee to enjoy a Senior Center. The Council on Aging has its monthly meeting on the second Monday of every month at 9 AM. Anyone is invited to these meetings to suggest ideas for the Center as well as to better understand its purpose.

As of May 31, 2019 we had 418 FLCOA members. 366 of these members were mailed the Heritage. This is a significant added cost for the Friends. Our postage bill last year was \$2000. Virtually all the money raised through memberships goes to postage. The Heritage can be picked up at many local churches, nursing homes, grocery stores as well as here at the Center, and please let u s know of places that you would like to see the Heritage displayed. It would be greatly appreciated if those of you who come to the center would have your name removed from the mailing list. We would still send all members notices in February and August for the March and September calendar drawings. Please see Claire Brodeur to notify her that you will pick up the Heritage in person rather than have it mailed to you. Thank you for helping us save on the cost of postage!

6 Tips for Senior Sun Safety

Summer weather is great for relaxing with family and friends. Being outside for pool parties, barbecues, and beach trips are what make summertime so much fun.

Too much outdoor time, however, can lead to problems like sunburn and dehydration in elderly populations who are especially at risk for these hot-weather woes. But by taking a few precautions, problems like sunburn and dehydration in the elderly can be avoided and seniors will be able to get the most out of long summer days.



Wear the right clothing.

The best summertime clothing for seniors is lightweight and made out of a breathable fabric such as cotton. Shirts should be long-sleeved, and seniors should wear wide-brimmed hats to protect from the sun.



Apply sunscreen early and often.

Sunscreen takes time to work, so don't wait until you're poolside.

Try to apply sunscreen about an hour before you head outside, and reapply every two hours.

Look for a broad-spectrum sunscreen that protects against both UVA and UVB radiation.



Drink plenty of fluids.

Seniors are less likely to feel thirsty, and dehydration can come on quickly and be dangerous. Try to drink between 6 and 8 glasses of water a day, and increase your intake if you're doing any kind of physical activity, or if the weather is particularly hot.



Stay indoors at the hottest hours.

The sun is most intense during the middle of the day. If you're a tennis player or gardener, it's best to keep these activities to the early morning or evening, when the weather is cooler. Try to stay indoors when the sun is at its peak.



WARNING: Knowing the signs of heat stroke can save a senior's life. A flushed face, high body temperature, headache, nausea, rapid pulse, dizziness and lack of sweating despite the heat are signs that immediate action should be taken. Drinking water, a cool ice pack to the back of the neck, and removal of the sun is a must at the earliest signs of these symptoms.



Wear eye protection.

Seniors have very sensitive eyes. Wearing sunglasses can help reduce the cumulative damage that causes eye problems such as cataracts and age-related macular degeneration in seniors. Wrap-around styles that protect from both UVA and UVB radiation are best.



Check your medications.

Some medications can cause increased sensitivity to the sun. Look over your medications, and talk to your doctor about any concerns or questions you have.



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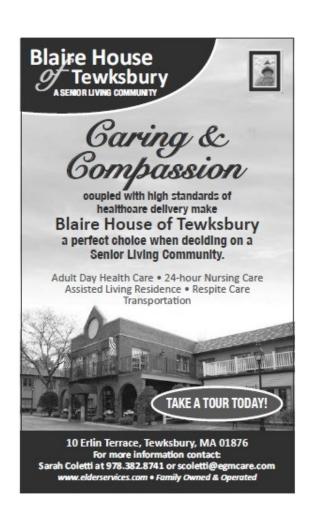
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